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SUBJ: LABOR EXCHANGE PROGRAM

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1. EMBASSY WILL PROPOSE FOLLOWING THREE ADDITIONAL TEAMS, TWO CHEMICAL WORKERS AND ONE GOVERNMENT WORKERS FOR FY 74 PROGRAMS IN FOLLOWING ORDER OF PRIORITY:

A. JAPANESE FEDERATION OF SYNTHETIC CHEMICAL WORKERS UNIONS (GOKA ROREN - SOHYO) TEAM OF FOUR AFFILIATED UNION RESEARCH SPECIALISTS TO FOCUS ON U.S. SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAMS IN CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES, ENERGY, AND WASTE CONTROL; TO BE PROGRAMMED WITH OCAW.

B. LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES UNION (JICHIRO - SOHYO) TEAM OF FOUR FROM PREFECTURAL AND MAJOR CITY GOVERNMENTS, TO STUDY SOCIAL EDUCATION, ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION, HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION; PROGRAM WITH SCME.

C. DOMEI CHEMICAL TEAM OF FOUR FROM FEDERATION OF CHEMICAL WORKERS UNIONS (ZENKA DOMEI) AND DOMEI OIL WORKERS UNIONS, TO INVESTIGATE ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS, ENERGY CRISIS; PROGRAM WITH OCAW AND OTHER CHEMICAL WORKERS UNIONS.

2. DOMEI-SOHO PARITY UNDERSTOOD AND WILL ATTEMPT TO COME OUT ON THE NOSE IN NUMBER OF PERSONS.

3. HOKKAIDO REGIONAL SOHO TEAM MAY BE REDUCED TO THREE MEMBERS,
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DROPPING TSUSHIMA WHO IS CAMPAIGNING FOR UPPER HOUSE NEXT YEAR

AND HASHIMOTO WHO WILL VISIT EUROPE FOR ILO. REMAINING THREE WILL
NEED FULL GRANTS.

4. ONLY TWO UNION TEAMS WISH TO ATTEND AFL-CIO CONVENTION, V
IMF-JC AND JIDOSHA SOREN.

5. PLEASE ADVISE LOAD LIMIT ON INTERPRETERS TO AID IN PLANNING
DEPARTURES REMAINING TEAMS.
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